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Amendment A: SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please revise paragraph [0002] as follows:

A variety of implements can be used for the cleaning of the mouth. Conventionally, toothbrushes are used for the specific cleaning of the ~~teach~~ teeth. Toothbrushes are often used in association with toothpaste so as to assure clean teeth and to prevent dental decay. In other circumstances, various types of toothpicks are used for the purpose of cleaning the interstices between the teeth. It has been known that it is important to prevent gum disease from affecting the integrity of the teeth. As such, various types of toothpicks and dental floss have been developed so as to clean these interstices between the teeth. Food particles can be removed which would otherwise be inaccessible by the toothbrushes. Toothpicks come in a wide variety of configurations and shapes. Some toothpicks are designed so as to be directly introduced into the spaces between the teeth. Other toothpicks are designed so as to dig into the gum area adjacent to the roots of the teeth.

Please revise paragraph [0003] as follows:

Tongue scrapping is carried out in many areas of the world for the cleaning of the mouth and dental area. In particular, the scraping of tongues is carried out so as to remove volatile sulfur compounds. The accumulation of ~~bacterias~~ bacteria the most common cause of bad breath, affecting up to 85% of halitosis suffers. Tongue scrapping is recommended by the American Dental Association and by dental professionals nationwide for the treatment of chronic halitosis.



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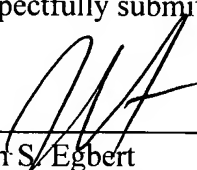
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